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ABSTRACT

This book of games for children from kindergarten to third grade offers parents ways to help their children become skilled and enthusiastic writers. The book provides instructions for parents to direct their children in easy-to-play educationally useful games, most requiring few or no materials. The book includes such activities as having children maneuver through mazes to improve their handwriting, learn the alphabet by baking pretzels, play rhyming games to stretch their vocabularies, and crack secret codes while practicing their spelling. Divided into 5 parts, each consisting of 8 to 16 separate activities, the book is prefaced with a short discussion of how children become writers, their spelling, handwriting, and fears. The book's introduction also advises parents to use a non-critical approach when playing these games with their children and suggests how to select activities to use. Lists of spelling words and books to read, a note to teachers, and a chart listing games by age level are appended. (CR)

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